



Dear Citizens,

Traveling throughout Baltimore, I am frequently impressed with the energy and community involvement of our city's seniors. They share wisdom and knowledge on every subject you can imagine and they are living testaments to the greatness that we come from. My administration is committed to making Baltimore the most senior-friendly city in America.

I want the aging population of Baltimore to be able to enjoy life and to have all of the resources available to them to ensure they have a good quality of life. Baltimore's Commission on Aging and Retirement Education (CARE) created the Urban Aging Institute. This institute is helping us better meet the special needs of seniors who live in the city and gives them opportunities to stay active and informed on issues that affect them.

Next week I will attend the Environments for Aging Conference. The conference is dedicated to finding solutions to address the changing needs of this country's older citizens. Baltimore is the ideal location for this conference, as we are a national leader in implementing new strategies and effective programs for seniors. I am honored to share with the attendees the promise of the Urban Aging Institute, and the programs it has advanced to empower older adults, their families and caregivers.

Caring for older citizens is a responsibility which I take seriously. We owe this city's older generations respect and gratitude. Our seniors laid the foundation upon which we are building a stronger Baltimore for our children.

This week, we were all saddened by the tragic violence that took place on the Virginia Tech campus. The victims of this terrible act are in my thoughts and prayers. It is important to share our concern and sympathy for individuals and families affected by all acts of violence. Those killed in Virginia, along with the families of those affected by crime in Baltimore, will be in my thoughts as we move forward with my crime reduction strategy.

As always, I am interested in what you think about our plan to make our city a dynamic place

to LIVE, EARN, PLAY and LEARN. Please [email me](#) your comments or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Sheila Dixon
Mayor
Baltimore

Mayor Dixon to Host Her Second Neighborhood Conversation

Thursday, April 26th, 2007

At Pimlico Elementary and Middle School
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
(Arrive at 6:30 p.m. for registration.)

Hosted by Mayor Sheila Dixon, the Neighborhood Conversation is an opportunity for citizens to speak with the Mayor and her Cabinet about issues that affect their communities. Several Agencies will be in attendance to distribute information about services and resources.

Baltimore HealthCare Access to host five health insurance Enrollment Events Throughout the City During Covering the Uninsured Week

Sunday, April 22nd through Saturday, April 28th

These events intend to educate community residents about available options for health care coverage and will feature knowledgeable Project Health volunteers and BHCA staff to assist with *onsite enrollment* into the Maryland Children's Health Program (MCHP) and the *Primary Adult Care Program (PAC)*. BHCA will also provide any needed community resources. Refreshments will be served.

The schedule for the enrollment events is:

Sunday, April 22, 2007
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Bethel AME Church
1300 Druid Hill Avenue

Monday, April 23, 2007
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Brown's Memorial Shelter
3215 West Belvedere Avenue

Tuesday, April 24, 2007
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Our Daily Bread
411 Cathedral Street

Thursday, April 26, 2007
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Bea Gaddy's Place
425 North Chester Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21231

Saturday, April 28, 2007
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
The Markets at Highlandtown
3801 Eastern Avenue

Franchise Opportunities for Women, Minorities and Veterans Seminars

"How to Be in Business for Yourself, But not By Yourself"

Saturday, April 21, 2007
Coppin State University, Dining and Meeting Hall Building
9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Hosted by Mayor Sheila Dixon, the City of Baltimore and the International Franchise Association in partnership with the Greater Baltimore Urban League, Small Business Resource Center and the Baltimore Development Corporation – Featuring Congressman Elijah E. Cummings, 7th District of Maryland.

Please go to <http://www.bul.org/franchise.htm> for registration information.

Volunteers Needed for 90th Annual Flowermart

"It truly is a microcosm of wonders."

Are you interested in volunteering at this year's Flowermart?

This fabulous two-day event will be celebrating its 90th year this year. We need volunteers to assist with a wide variety of tasks. If you have a particular interest in neighborhood cleaning and greening, it would be great to have you there.

Please go to <http://www.flowermart.org/volunteers.html> for more information.



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